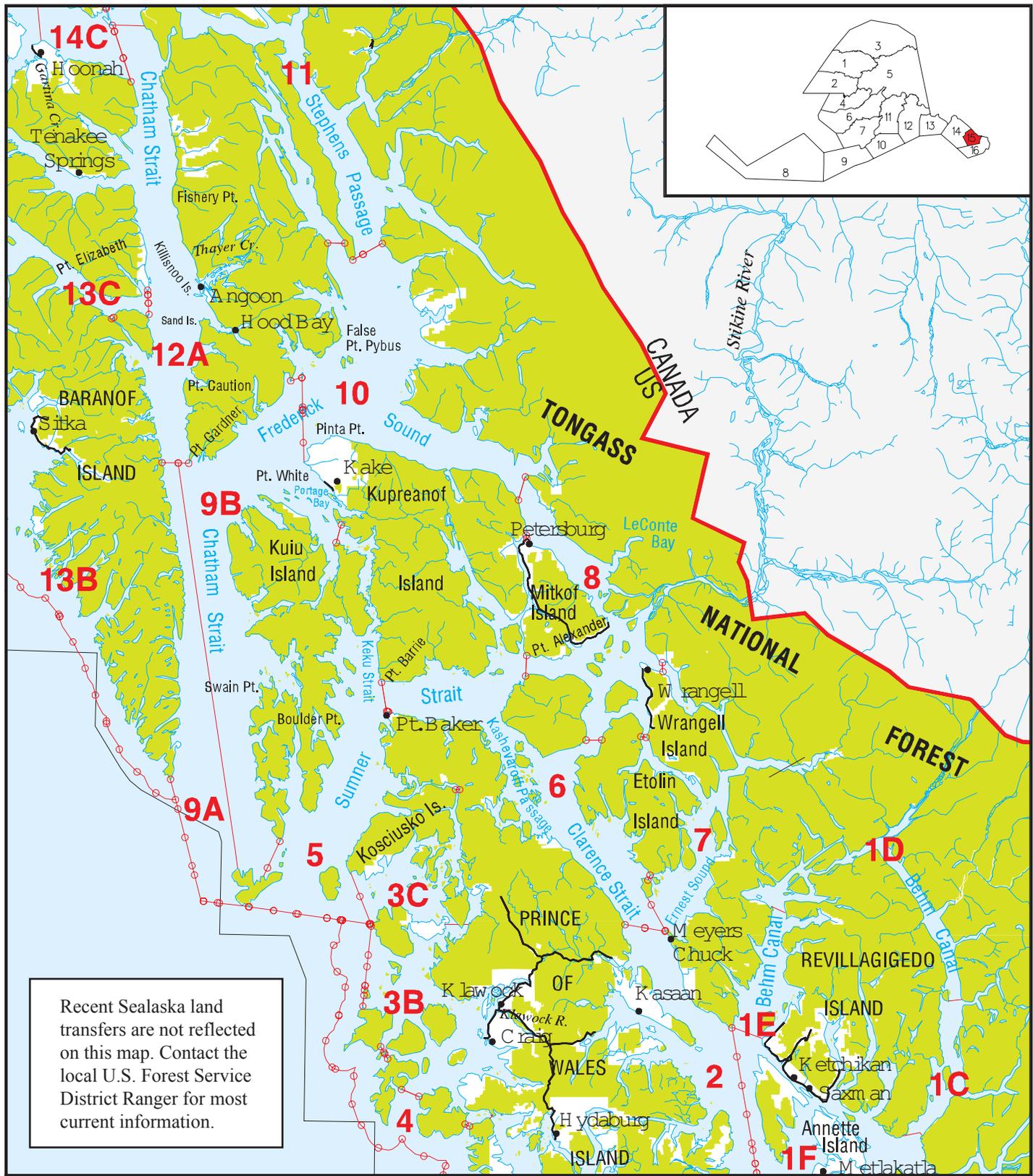


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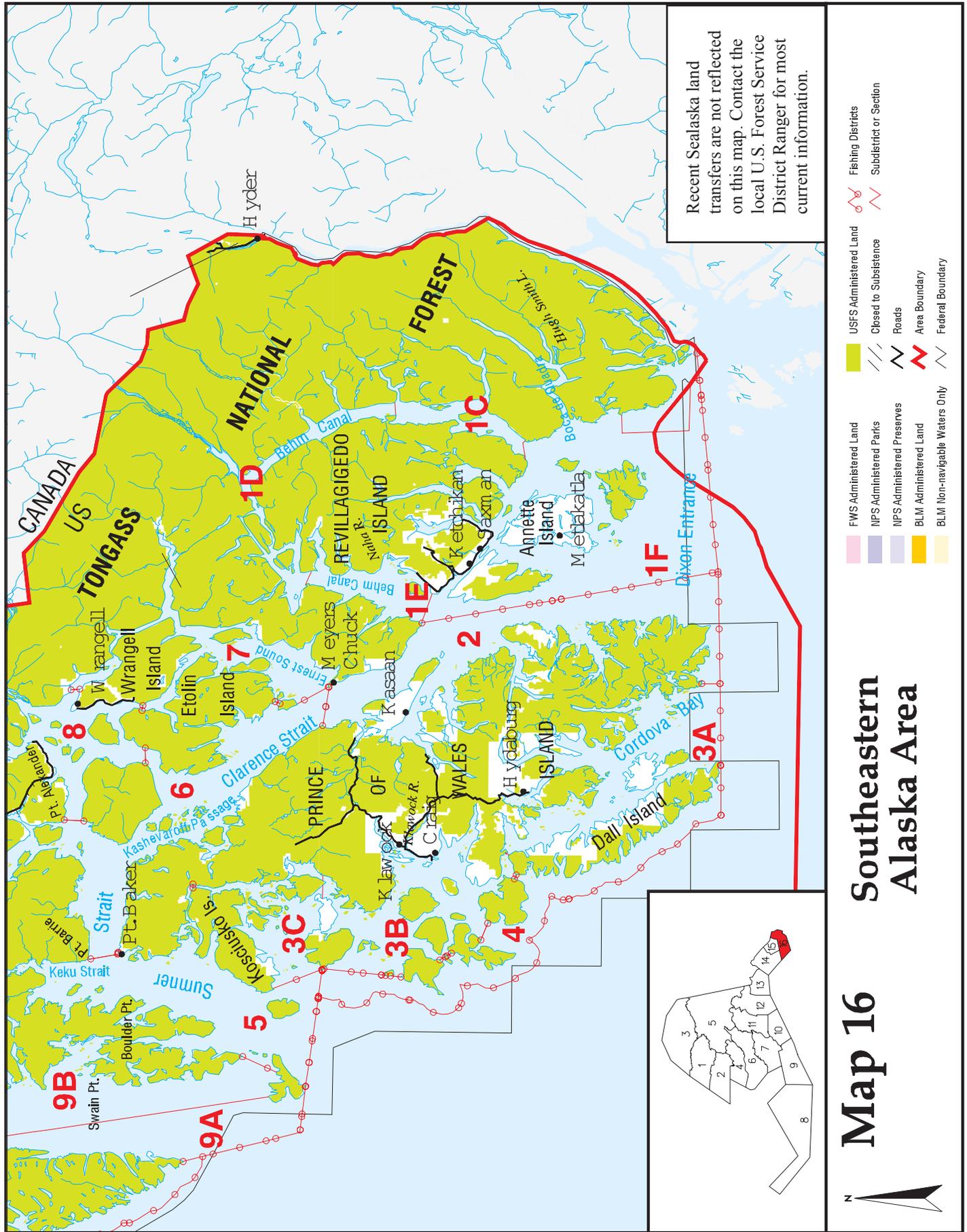
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| FWS Administered Land | USFS Administered Land | ⊗ Fishing Districts |
| NPS Administered Parks | Closed to Subsistence | ⋈ Subdistrict or Section |
| NPS Administered Preserves | Roads | |
| BLM Administered Land | Area Boundary | |
| BLM Non-navigable Waters Only | Federal Boundary | |

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The Southeastern Alaska Area includes all waters between a line projecting southwest from the westernmost tip of Cape Fairweather and Dixon Entrance. These regulations apply on inland waters within or adjacent to Admiralty Island National Monument, Misty Fjords National Monument, and the Tongass National Forest and excludes marine waters except the Makhnati Island Area. [See maps 14, 15, and 16 on previous pages.]

Customary and Traditional Use Determinations Continued		
Area	Species	Determination
District 1 Section 1E in waters of the Naha River and Roosevelt Lagoon	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City of Saxman.
District 1 Section 1F in Boca de Quadra in waters of Sockeye Creek and Hugh Smith Lake within 500 yards of the terminus of Sockeye Creek	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City of Saxman.
Districts 2, 3, and 5 And waters draining into those districts.	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents living south of Sumner Strait and west of Clarence Strait and Kashevaroff Passage.
District 5 North of a line from Point Barrie to Boulder Point	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City of Kake and in Kupreanof Island drainages emptying into Keku Strait south of Point White and north of the Portage Bay boat harbor.
District 6 And waters draining into that district	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents living south of Sumner Strait and west of Clarence Strait and Kashevaroff Passage; residents of drainages flowing into District 6 north of the latitude of Point Alexander (Mitkof Island); residents of drainages flowing into Districts 7 & 8, including the communities of Petersburg & Wrangell; and residents of the communities of Meyers Chuck and Kake.
District 7 And waters draining into that district	Salmon, Dolly Varden, Trout, Smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of drainages flowing into District 6 north of the latitude of Point Alexander (Mitkof Island); residents of drainages flowing into Districts 7 & 8, including the communities of Petersburg & Wrangell; and residents of the communities of Meyers Chuck and Kake.
District 8 And waters draining into that district	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of drainages flowing into Districts 7&8, residents of drainages flowing into District 6 north of the latitude of Point Alexander (Mitkof Island), and residents of Meyers Chuck.
District 9 Section 9A and 9B	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City of Kake and in Kupreanof Island drainages emptying into Keku Strait south of Point White and north of the Portage Bay boat harbor.
District 10 West of a line from Pinta Point to False Point Pybus	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City of Kake and in Kupreanof Island drainages emptying into Keku Strait south of Point White and north of the Portage Bay boat harbor.

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Customary and Traditional Use Determinations Continued

Area	Species	Determination
District 12 Section 12A, the area south of a line from Fishery Point to South Passage Point	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City of Angoon and along the western shore of Admiralty Island north of the latitude of Sand Island, south of the latitude of Thayer Creek, and west of 134°30' West longitude, including Killisnoo Island.
District 12 Section 12A, excluding the area south of a line from Fishery Point to South Passage point	All fish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of drainages flowing into Districts 12 and 14.
District 12 Section 12B	All fish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of drainages flowing into Districts 12 and 14.
District 13 Section 13A south of the latitude of Cape Edward	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City and Borough of Sitka in drainages that empty into Section 13B, north of the latitude of Dorothy Narrows.
District 13 Section 13A, excluding the area south of the latitude of Cape Edward	All fish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of drainages flowing into Sections 13A, 13B, and District 14.
District 13 Section 13B north of the latitude of Redfish Cape.	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City and Borough of Sitka in drainages that empty into Section 13B north of the latitude of Dorothy Narrows.
District 13 Section 13C	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City and Borough of Sitka in drainages that empty into Section 13B north of the latitude of Dorothy Narrows.
District 13 Section 13C east of the longitude of Point Elizabeth	Salmon, Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the City of Angoon and along the western shore of Admiralty Island north of the latitude of Sand Island, south of the latitude of Thayer Creek, and west of 134°30' West longitude, including Killisnoo Island.
District 14	All fish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of drainages flowing into Sections 12A, 13A, and District 14.
Remainder of the Southeastern Alaska Area	Dolly Varden, trout, smelt, and Eulachon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of Southeastern Alaska and Yakutat Areas.
	Salmon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents.

Special Provisions

Unless restricted in this section or under the terms of a fishing permit, you may take fish other than salmon, trout, grayling, and char in the Southeastern Alaska Area at any time.

- ◆ You must possess a subsistence fishing permit to take salmon, trout, grayling, or char.
- ◆ No permits for the use of nets will be issued for the salmon streams flowing across or adjacent to the road systems within the city limits of Petersburg, Wrangell, and Sitka.

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- ◆ If you take salmon, trout, or char incidentally with gear operated under the terms of a subsistence permit for other salmon, they may be kept for subsistence purposes. You must report any salmon, trout, or char taken in this manner on your subsistence fishing permit.
- ◆ The Sarkar River system above the bridge is closed to the use of all nets by both Federally qualified and non-Federally qualified users.
- ◆ In areas where use of rod and reel is allowed, you may use artificial fly, lure, or bait when fishing with rod and reel, unless restricted by a Federal permit. If you use bait, you must retain all Federally-regulated fish species caught, and they apply to your daily, seasonal, and annual harvest limits for that species. For streams with steelhead, once your daily or annual limit of steelhead is harvested, you may no longer fish with bait for any species.
- ◆ Unless otherwise specified in this section, allowable gear for salmon or steelhead is restricted to gaffs, spears, gillnets, seines, dip nets, cast nets, handlines, or rod and reel.
- ◆ Unless otherwise specified in this section, you may use a handline for snagging salmon or steelhead.
- ◆ You may not accumulate Federal subsistence harvest limits authorized for the Southeastern Alaska Area with any harvest limits authorized under any State of Alaska fishery with the following exception: annual or seasonal Federal subsistence harvest limits may be accumulated with State sport fishing harvest limits provided that accumulation of harvest limits does not occur during the same day.
- ◆ You may not possess subsistence taken and sport taken fish of a given species on the same day.
- ◆ You may fish with a rod and reel within 300 feet of a fish ladder unless the site is posted by the U.S. Forest Service. You may not fish from, on, or in a fish ladder.
- ◆ In the Southeastern Alaska Area, a Rainbow Trout is defined as a fish of the species *Oncorhynchus mykiss* less than 22 inches in overall length. A steelhead is defined as a Rainbow Trout with an overall length of 22 inches or larger.
- ◆ There is no subsistence fishery for any salmon on the Taku River.
- ◆ **The Klawock River drainage is closed to the use of seines and gillnets during July and August.**
- ◆ **The Federal public waters in the Makhnati Island area, as defined on pages 6 and 7 of this booklet, are closed to the harvest of herring and herring spawn except by Federally qualified users.**

Regulations

Stikine River Chinook, Sockeye, and Coho Salmon

- ◆ You may take Chinook, Sockeye, and Coho Salmon in the mainstem of the Stikine River only under the authority of a Federal subsistence fishing permit. Only one Stikine River permit will be issued to a household.
- ◆ The total annual guideline harvest level for the Stikine River fishery is 125 Chinook, 600 Sockeye, and 400 Coho Salmon.
- ◆ You may retain other salmon taken incidentally by gear operated under terms of this permit. The incidentally taken salmon must be reported on your permit.
- ◆ **Fishing nets must be checked at least twice each day.**

Stikine River Chinook, Sockeye, and Coho Salmon Fishery		
Season	Gear	Annual Limit (per household)
Chinook: May 15–June 20 Sockeye: June 21–July 31 Coho: August 1–October 1	Dip net, spears, gaffs, rod and reel, beach seine, and gillnet (not exceeding 15 fathoms in length with a mesh size no larger than 5½ inches stretched mesh, except during Chinook season when mesh up to 8 inches stretched mesh may be used).	5 Chinook Salmon 40 Sockeye Salmon 20 Coho Salmon

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Sockeye Salmon

- ◆ If a harvest limit is not otherwise listed for Sockeye Salmon in this section, the harvest limit for Sockeye Salmon is the same as provided for (other than the Stikine River) in adjacent State subsistence or personal use fisheries. If a harvest limit is not established for the State subsistence and personal use fisheries, the possession limit is 10 Sockeye Salmon and the annual harvest limit is 20 Sockeye Salmon per household for that stream.

Coho Salmon

Southeastern Alaska Area – Coho Salmon Fishery (Except the Stikine River—see previous page; and the Taku River, which is closed)		
Season	Gear	Daily Harvest Limit
No closed season	Dip nets Spears Gaffs Handlines Rod and Reel	20 Coho Salmon per day, per household

Pink and Chum Salmon

- ◆ Unless noted on a Federal subsistence harvest permit, there are no harvest limits for Pink or Chum Salmon.

Steelhead

You may take steelhead under the terms of a subsistence fishing permit. The permit conditions and systems to receive special protection will be determined by the local Federal fisheries manager in consultation with ADF&G. In addition to the requirement for a Federal subsistence fishing permit, these restrictions apply:

Steelhead Fishery (Except Prince of Wales and Kosciusko Islands)			
Season	Gear	Daily Harvest Limit	Annual Harvest limit
January 1–May 31	Dip net Gaff Handline Spear Rod and reel	1 steelhead per day, per household	2 steelhead, per household annual limit

Prince of Wales and Kosciusko Islands – Steelhead Fishery		
Season	Gear	Season Harvest and Possession Limit
Winter season Dec. 1–Last day of Feb.	Dip net Handline Spear Rod and reel	2 steelhead, per household. However only 1 steelhead may be harvested by a household from a particular drainage.
Spring season Mar. 1–May 31	Dip net Handline Spear Rod and reel	5 steelhead, per household. However only 2 steelhead may be harvested by household from a particular drainage.

- ◆ **Prince of Wales and Kosciusko Islands:** You must obtain a separate permit for the winter and spring fishing seasons. You must return your winter or spring season permit within 15 days of the close of the season and before receiving another permit for the fishery.

Trout, Char, Dolly Varden, and Grayling

- ◆ You must possess a Federal subsistence fishing permit to take trout, char, Dolly Varden, or grayling. The permit conditions and systems to receive special protection will be determined by the local Federal fisheries manager in consultation with ADF&G.

In addition to the requirement for a Federal subsistence fishing permit, these restrictions apply:

Trout, Char, and Grayling Fisheries		
Season	Gear	Daily Harvest and Possession Limit
No closed season or size limits	Rod and reel.	20 brook trout, per household 20 grayling, per household 20 Dolly Varden, per household The daily household harvest limit is 6 and the household possession limit is 12 cutthroat or Rainbow Trout in combination



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Eulachon

- ◆ You must possess a subsistence fishing permit to take Eulachon from any freshwater stream flowing into fishing District 1.
- ◆ For the remainder of Southeast Alaska, no permit is required. There is no closed season or harvest limit for Eulachon.



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